AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A humidity indicator, comprising at least one humidity-determining face ~~(M1 to M4)~~ which is provided on a surface of a humidity-determining plate [[(P)]] comprising cobalt chloride [[(Co)]] held in a base paper sheet [[(B)]], so that the cobalt chloride [[(Co)]] is exposed to the humidity-determining face, whereby humidity is determined by the discoloration of the cobalt chloride [[(Co)]] on the humidity-determining face ~~(M1 to M4)~~, characterized in that

said humidity indicator further includes a first film [[(F1)]] covering the surface of said humidity-determining plate [[(P)]], and a second film [[(F2)]] covering the back of said humidity-determining plate [[(P)]];

a flat air layer [[(Au)]] is formed at least between the first film [[(F1)]] and the surface of the humidity-determining plate [[(P)]], so that the entire surface of said humidity-determining face ~~(M1 to M4)~~ faces to said air layer; ~~(Au); and~~

a plurality of small holes [[(H)]] are formed at distances from one another in said first film [[(F1)]] to permit the direct communication of said air layer [(Au)] with the atmosphere[[.]];

said first and second films are formed to protrude from an outer peripheral edge of said humidity-determining plate and bonded at outer peripheral edge portions thereof directly to each other; and

said first and second films are bonded in a compression manner to a portion of said humidity-determining plate surrounding a region corresponding to said air layer.

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Currently Amended) The humidity indicator according to claim 1 [[or 2]], wherein

a plurality of said humidity-determining faces ~~(M1 to M4)~~ are arranged at distances on the surface of said humidity-determining plate [[(P)]] in correspondence to a plurality of different humidity levels, respectively; and

said air layer [[(Au)]] is formed commonly to a plurality of said humidity-determining faces ~~(M1 to M4)~~.

4. (Currently Amended) The humidity indicator according to claim 1 or [[2]] 3, wherein

said base paper sheet [[(B)]] is a filter paper having a hygroscopicity;

a flat second air layer [[(Ad)]] is formed between said second film [[(F2)]] and the back of said humidity-determining plate [[(P)]], so that at least a region or regions of said back corresponding to said humidity-determining face or faces ~~(M1 to M4)~~ face to the second air layer [[(Ad)]]; and

a plurality of small holes [[(H')]] are formed at distances from one another in said second film [[(F2)]] to permit the direct communication of said second air layer [[(Ad)]] with the atmosphere.

5. (Currently Amended) The humidity indicator according to claim 1 or [[2]] 3, wherein that each of said films ~~(F1, F2)~~ has been subjected to an antistatic treatment.

6. (Currently Amended) A humidity indicator, comprising at least one humidity-determining face ~~(M1 to M4)~~ which is provided on a surface of a humidity-determining plate [[(P)]] which is made of a paper and formed into a card-shape, whereby humidity is determined by the discoloration of the humidity-determining face ~~(M1 to M4)~~, characterized in that

said humidity indicator further includes a first film [[(F1)]] covering the surface of said humidity-determining plate [[(P)]] and forming the surface of said humidity indicator, and a second film [[(F2)]] covering the back of said humidity-determining plate [[(P)]] and forming the back of said humidity indicator;

a flat air layer [[(Au)]] is formed at least between the first film [[(F1)]] and the surface of the humidity-determining plate [[(P)]], so that the entire surface of said humidity-determining face ~~(M1 to M4)~~ faces to said air layer [[(Au)]];

a plurality of small holes [[(H)]] are formed at distances from one another in said first film [[(F1)]] to permit the direct communication of said air layer [[(Au)]] with the atmosphere;

said first and second films ~~(F1, F2)~~ are formed to protrude from an outer peripheral edge of said humidity-determining plate [[(P)]] and bonded [[(m)]] at outer peripheral edge portions ~~(F1a and F2a)~~ thereof directly to each other; and

said first and second films ~~(F1, F2)~~ are bonded in a compression manner to a portion of said humidity-determining plate [[(P)]] surrounding a region corresponding to said air layer [[(Au)]].

7. (Currently Amended) The humidity indicator according to claim 6, wherein

a plurality of said humidity-determining faces ~~(M1 to M4)~~ are arranged at distances on the surface of said humidity-determining plate [[(P)]] in correspondence to a plurality of different humidity levels, respectively; and

said air layer [[(Au)]] is formed commonly to a plurality of said humidity-determining faces ~~(M1 to M4)~~.

8. (Currently Amended) The humidity indicator according to claim 6 or 7, wherein said base paper sheet [[(B)]] is a filter paper having a hygroscopicity;

a flat second air layer [[(Ad)]] is formed between said second film [[(F2)]] and the back of said humidity-determining plate [[(P)]], so that at least a region or regions of said back corresponding to said humidity-determining face or faces ~~(M1 to M4)~~ face to the second air layer [[(Ad)]]; and

a plurality of small holes [[(H')]] are formed at distances from one another in said second film [[(F2)]] to permit the direct communication of said second air layer [[(Ad)]] with the atmosphere.

9. (Currently Amended) [[he]] <u>The</u> humidity indicator according to claim 6 or 7, wherein that each of said films ~~(F1, F2)~~ has been subjected to an antistatic treatment.

10. (New) The humidity indicator of claim 1, wherein said humidity indicator is transported with an electronic part in a packaged state.

11. (New) The humidity indicator of claim 6, wherein said humidity indicator is transported with an electronic part in a packaged state.